

National Nitrate Initiative Compliance Assistance Outreach Survey

1. To begin, please indicate if you have received EPA mailings focused on reporting Nitrate Compound Releases under EPCRA 313. (Yes / No / Don't Know)

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(If no, thank participant for their time and discontinue survey)

If yes, was this the first time you became aware of the:

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| 2. EPCRA 313- Requirements to Report | 1 2 |
| 3. Nitrate Compound Violations | 1 2 |
| 4. Audit Policy Penalty Reduction for Self Disclosures | 1 2 |

(If yes, skip 5. If no, continue to question 5)

5. If you had prior knowledge of the Nitrate reporting requirements, from where did you receive this information. Please check all that apply

- ☐ EPA guidance documents
- ☐ State mailings or publications
- ☐ Internet
- ☐ EPA
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Trade organizations
- ☐ Please indicate which organizations _____
- ☐ Other _____

Please indicate any changes or proposed improvements that may have occurred as a result of EPA's Nitrate Compliance mailings. (Yes, No, Plan To, Already in Use, Not Applicable)

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Have You:

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| 6. Shared information and awareness from mailing with others | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 7. Conducted a self audit | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 8. Developed an internal system to meet reporting requirements | 1 2 3 4 5 |

9. Please indicate actions taken to reduce the overall amount of nitrates produced by your facility.

- ☐ Process Changes
- ☐ Operating Changes
- ☐ Material Changes
- ☐ Incorporated material, operating and process changes
- ☐ No Changes
- ☐ Other _____

10. Did the mailing provide enough understandable information for you to comply with the National Nitrate Compliance Initiative? (Yes/ No)

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11. Please Explain:

12. Did the mailing provide enough understandable information on disclosing and the audit policy for you to consider this option? (Yes/ No)

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13. Please Explain:

14. Did you feel that the mailing conveyed a sense of urgency for a timely response? (Yes / No)

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15. Please explain:

16. The Nitrate Initiative allowed approximately 12 weeks for facilities to respond. Do you feel the time frame for responding to the initiative was adequate? (Yes/ No)

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17. If you felt this time period was not appropriate, what length of a response period would have been more beneficial? _____

18. In what ways could EPA improve communications based on your experiences with the Nitrate Compliance Initiative? _____

Comments:

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